

Dear Caroline,

9 August 2020

On 10 March this year I sent you the first of 6 emails, urging you to speak out publicly in support of Julian Assange. You have kindly replied to all but the latest, dated 12 July.

So I'd like to now thank you for signing the 14 July Early Day Motion #719 titled "Julian Assange, press freedom and public-interest journalism".

<https://edm.parliament.uk/early-day-motion/57256/julian-assange-press-freedom-and-publicinterest-journalism>

I am pleased you have signed an EDM, but it doesn't go far enough.

On 4 Aug the International Criminal Court in Hague was sent evidence to begin investigating alleged Crimes Against Humanity, on behalf of (now) over **half a million** signatories that form one of the largest petitions tabled in the history of the Australian Parliament (since 1901).

"Instances of state sponsored psychological torture have been determined as occurring in London U.K. by the United Nations Special Rapporteur on Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. This determination was established after assessment of Julian Assange by way of the Istanbul Protocol by a team of specialised medical experts."

Since this is a legal process occurring outside UK jurisdiction, you as a UK law maker should be free to publicly support it without fear of breaking any UK or parliamentary or 'sub judice' laws and rules (for example, with respect to the Julian Assange 'show trial' in London).

<https://www.dailymaverick.co.za/article/2020-07-31-uk-government-refuses-to-release-information-about-assange-judge-who-has-96-extradition-record/>

You could quickly send out a short a press release announcing you have signed both EDM #719 and the ICC Hague 'state sponsored torture in London' petition...

<https://www.change.org/p/free-julian-assange-before-it-s-too-late-stop-usa-extradition/u/27448320>

... asking why the new leader of the opposition, Kier Starmer who as DPP initiated and perpetuated the torture of Julian Assange, has not (yet) signed either the Hague petition nor EDM #719, set up by members of Corbyn's cabinet, that he recently fired?

Or indeed you could ask him the same in written or oral parliamentary question? Thank you.

Regards,

Natasha